

## THE WASHINGTON END OF IT

Washington, D. C., July 8.—Sen. Reed of Missouri, chief cross-examiner for the Senate lobby investigating committee, today analyzed for the United Press the evidence taken so far by that committee and gave what he believes will be the result of these disclosures. His statement follows:

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U. S. Senator from Missouri.

The lobby investigation and its attendant disclosures have demonstrated what has long been suspected:

That the great special interests have secretly and effectively directed and controlled legislation. I do not mean that all legislation has been thus controlled, but that the interests have been a potential influence is beyond question. Evidence plainly shows:

First, That they have opposed the election of men known to be opposed to their plans and desires.

Second, That they have secretly given aid and support, both financial and moral, to those who have been subservient to their interests.

Third, That they have carefully and secretly affected public sentiment through carefully prepared news matter sent out through the press of the country.

Fourth, That with great skill they have carried on a propaganda with their business connections and by this means sought to influence votes of congressmen.

Fifth, That they have maintained lobbyists in Washington whose business it has been not only to undertake to direct a course of legislation and to oppose all inimical legislation, but to undertake to control the election of the committees of Congress.

Sixth, In one instance at least, one of these interests, the woolen manufacturers, succeeded in having appointed as confidential clerk of the Republican members of the finance

committee of the Senate, the secretary of the Woolen Manufacturers' Association, who performed his work so satisfactorily that he was presented by his employers, the woolen manufacturers, with \$6,000.

Seventh, That the sugar interests of Hawaii, Porto Rico, Louisiana and the beet sugar interests have made common cause to prevent a reduction of the tariff on sugar.

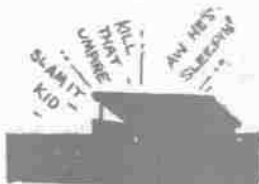
Eighth, That there is a community of interests between many of the protected industries and that there has been raised and expended directly and indirectly for the purpose of controlling public sentiment and affecting legislation many thousands of dollars.

Every day is bringing new developments. Gradually the facts are being laid before the public. No one can predict exactly what may yet be developed, but as a result of this investigation, four things will happen:

The work of the lobbyist having been exposed, he will be discredited and his influence greatly lessened.

Legislation will be enacted which will render the work of the lobbyist, if not impossible, at least more difficult. In my opinion lobbyists will be required to register and to present themselves before a committee of Congress in their true character.

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CHEER UP



What, though the weather's scorching hot

And one may feel aflame,  
Cheer up, it's never hot enough  
To stop the baseball game.  
Through frizzle and through sizzle it  
Will go on just the same.